



MID-YEAR EXAM ASSIGNMENT



On Wednesday, 1/16 (Classes 3 and 4) OR Thursday, 1/17 (classes 1, 2, and 5) you will take your mid-year exam in social studies. It is worth two test grades. The exam will cover information from the following sources. These are the documents you need use from which to study.



1. Prehistory and Mesopotamia Quiz
2. Egypt Quiz
3. China Quiz
4. India Quiz (*all* essay topics)
5. Greece museum notes and crossword puzzle

The exam will be a collection of multiple choice, matching, fill in the blank, and essay questions. ONLY information and topics from the documents listed above will be covered. To help you prepare for this exam, please complete the following assignment:

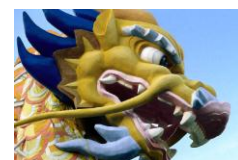
MAKE A “HELPER” TEST NOTE CARD

- You are to prepare one 3” x 5” notecard with information from any of the topics that will be covered on this test. You may write down any information that will be helpful to you on this test. You can’t fit everything we’ve studied, so write down things that tend to confuse you or that you tend to forget.
- This notecard may be used during the test.
- You may only write on one side, but you may write or type as small as you choose (no magnifying glasses allowed though!)
- You may NOT use someone else’s index card for the test.



**** This card is due (and will be graded as a homework assignment) the day of your test. ****

- To make your life even EASIER, we are giving you the **ESSAY QUESTIONS** ahead of time! Use some of your study time to plan your response (but do not write out a draft). This “gift” means we will expect a fluent essay with SPECIFIC facts.



1. Compare cultures we’ve studied this year.
 - Be specific and **describe two similarities and two differences**. You must choose similar elements for comparison. (Apples to apples!)
 - You may choose your points for comparison from the following categories: government, law, military, daily life, family life, or science/technology.
 - Specify which culture you choose for each of your four comparisons. (You do NOT need to use the same cultures for the entire essay.)
2. Out of all the inventions or achievements we have studied this year, **choose three you feel have had the greatest impact on the modern world**. In your answer
 - i. describe these inventions or achievements and
 - ii. explain why these contributions are important to people today.
3. We have discussed a number of different individuals this year, such as Hammurabi, Hatshepsut, Raamsees II, Qin Shi Huangdi, Ashoka, Aristotle, Archimedes, and others. **Who do you feel was the most effective and/or had the biggest impact?**
 - i. Provide three achievements of your chosen individual to support your answer.
 - ii. Be sure to explain how these achievements benefited their society or the world as a whole.